

# **City of Coral Gables**

*405 Biltmore Way  
Coral Gables, FL 33134  
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## **Agenda - Final Revised**

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Vince Lago  
Vice Mayor Michael Mena  
Commissioner Rhonda Anderson  
Commissioner Jim Cason  
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager  
Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney  
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

**The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, commencing at 9:00 a.m.**

**Members of the public may participate in person, but are also able to participate via the Zoom platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at (<https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: (305) 461-6769 Meeting ID: 3054466800. To speak prior to the City Commission taking action on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone, you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing \*9.**

**The public may comment on an item on the agenda using the City's already-established e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at: ([www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings](http://www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings)) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to [cityclerk@coralgables.com](mailto:cityclerk@coralgables.com) prior to the start of the meeting.**

**The Meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's website ([www.coralgables.com/cgvtv](http://www.coralgables.com/cgvtv)) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.**

**INVOCATION**

*Pastor Ryan Reed, Christ Journey Church*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

- A.-1. [23-5299](#) Presentation of a Certificate of Condolence to the bereaved family of Marian Fewell.
- A.-2. [23-5353](#) Presentation of "Moon over the Gables" by the Coral Gables Community Foundation.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

**C. MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

- C.-1. [23-5358](#) Discussion regarding street signs in downtown.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- C.-2. [23-5360](#) Discussion regarding golf carts.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- C.-3. [23-5370](#) Discussion regarding Unleashed dogs at Catalonia and Majorca Park.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- C.-4. [23-5371](#) Discussion regarding implementing cameras and signage at Salvadore Park.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**D. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*During this portion of the meeting, an individual may address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda or on a matter which is not on the agenda, but within the scope of the City Commission's jurisdiction. If the individual wishes to address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda, the individual shall not be given an opportunity to speak again once the item is called. An individual who wishes to speak during a public hearing where the City Commission is sitting in a quasi-judicial capacity, must speak during the public hearing for that item.*

*Individuals who speak during the open public comment portion of the meeting shall be given three (3) minutes during which to address the City Commission. At the conclusion of one (1) hour, if the open public comment section of the meeting has not ended, it shall end automatically, in order to proceed with the rest of the agenda.*

**E. CONSENT AGENDA**

*All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.*

- E.-1. [23-5354](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the waiver of City-related fees and the use of a storage container at Ponce Circle/Fred B. Hartnett Park for Moon over the Gables, a project co-sponsored by the Coral Gables Community Foundation and the City of Coral Gables taking place March 9-25, 2023.

**1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:**

- 1.-1. [23-5364](#) Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of January 9, 2023.
- 1.-2. [23-5366](#) Historic Preservation Board Meeting of December 21, 2022.
- 1.-3. [23-5351](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of January 23, 2023.
- 1.-4. [23-5359](#) Landmarks Advisory Board Meeting of November 28, 2022.
- 1.-5. [23-5310](#) Property Advisory Board Meeting of January 11, 2023.
- 1.-6. [23-5335](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting of January 25, 2023.

**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*All Individuals testifying in a quasi-judicial proceeding shall be sworn in.*

*Presentations made to the City Commission are subject to the City's False Claims Ordinance, Ch. 39 of the City of Coral Gables Code.*

**APPEALS****Time Certain 10:00am (Agenda Item F-1)**

- F.-1. [23-5350](#) An appeal to the City of Coral Gables City Commission from the decision of the Historic Preservation Board on December 21, 2022, for a Special Certificate of Appropriateness application requesting approval for the demolition of the existing residents at the property located at 1258 Obispo Avenue, a contributing resource within the "Obispo Avenue Historic District", legally described as Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, Coral Gables Section "E", according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in PLat Book 8, Page 13 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

- F.-2. [23-5258](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 62 - Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places to reduce abandoned construction signage and barricades in connection with approved work on the right of way and amending Section 1-7 entitled "Penalties" to include additional penalties for violations; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-3. [23-5259](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City Code, Chapter I-General Provisions, Section 1-7 Entitled "Penalties" to include additional penalties for violations of Section 74-241, entitled "Motorized Scooters on Sidewalks" and Section 74-2 "Prohibiting Skateboard Use Generally"; providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- F.-4. [23-5348](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission combining the Human Resources Department and the Labor Relations and Risk Management Department in accordance with Section 17 of the City Charter and amending the FY 2023 Budget to reflect that change.

F.-5. [23-5222](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Article 6, "Landscape," Section 6-103, "Landscape general requirements," and Article 16, "Definitions," providing a definition, requirements, and review processes to utilize artificial turf within athletic fields in the Special Use (S) Zoning district; providing conditional use review and approval when such artificial turf athletic field are visible from the street; clarifying minimal usage and requirements of artificial turf; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (02 08 23 PZB Meeting - Board recommended approval; Vote; 6-0)

F.-6. [23-5223](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 16, "Definitions", by amending the definition of carport; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and an effective date. (02 08 23 PZB Meeting - Board recommended approval; Vote; 6-0)

## G. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

None

## H. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item H-1)

H.-1. [23-5365](#) Discussion regarding the Cultural Development Grant Program.

## I. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

I.-1. [23-5352](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the Last Mile Transit Stop Improvements Program; authorizing execution of the grant contract; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Budget to recognize the \$1,000,000.00 grant as revenue and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the program.

## J. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

None

## K. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

**L. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

*This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney*

**ADJOURNMENT****NOTE**

*Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.*

*Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.*

*Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.*

*Any person who needs assistance in another language in order to speak during the public hearing or public comment portion of the meeting should contact the City 's ADA Coordinator Raquel Elejabarrieta, Esq., Director of Labor Relations and Risk Management (E-mail: [relejabarrieta@coralgables.com](mailto:relejabarrieta@coralgables.com), Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.*

**Billy Y. Urquia  
City Clerk**